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SUBJ: TTBT/PNE NEGOTIATIONS-VERBATIM OF LIMITED MEETING OCT. 18

PNE MESSAGE NUMBER TWENTY-FIVE

1. FOLLOWING IS VERBATIM OF PRIVATE MEETING OF OCTOBER 18 WITH STOESSEL, BUCHHEIM AND MUROMCEW ON THE U.S. SIDE AND MOROKHOV, TIMERBAEV AND BRATCHIKOV ON THE SOVIET SIDE.

BEGIN TEXT: MOROKHOV: (OPENING THE MEETING) WE WILL LISTEN WITH INTEREST TO ANYTHING YOU CAN TELL US REGARDING YOUR VIEWS CONCERNING REPRESENTATIVES (OBSERVERS).

STOESSEL: WE DO NOT HAVE ANY VDETAILS THAT WE CAN PRESENT TODAY; BUT THE MORE WE TMHING ABOUT IT, THE MORE WE FEEL THIS QUESTION DEPENDS ON THE TYPE OF ACTIVITY IN YOUR PNE PROGRAM. WE WOULD LIKE TO LISTEN TO THE SOVIET SIDE SINCE YOU HAVE AN ACTIVE ON-GOING PROGRAM, AND AS YOU KNOW THE US HAS NO ACTIVE PROGRAM AND NO SPECIFIC PLANS FOR THE FUTURE. IT IS THEREFORE DIFFICULT FOR US TO SPECIFY WHAT THE RIGHTS AND ACITIVITIES OF OBSERVERS MIGHT BE AND WE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR MORE ABOUT SOVIET PLANS IN A MORE SPECIFIC WAY. ALSO, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW YOUR VIEWS ABOUT VERIFICATION TO ENSURE THAT TESTS ARE FOR PEACEFUL USES AND ARE NOT WEAPON-RELATED.

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MY DELEGATION HAS LISTENED WITH GREAT INTEREST TO DR.

MYASNIKOV'S PRESENTATION ON YOUR EXPERIMENTS WITH UNDER-GROUND CAVITIES. THIS IS A GOOD EXAMPLE OF A SPECIFIC EXPERIMENT; AND WE WOULD LIEK TO HEAR MORE AOBUT OTHER EXPERIMENTS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT KIND OF EXPERIMENT THAT MYASNIKOV MENTIONED HAD A LOW YIELD AND THERE WAS A CLEAR STATEMENT OF PURPOSE; AND A DECRIPTION OF THE DEVICE. FOR THIS KIND OF EXPERIMENT, WITH ADEQUATE ADVANCE INFORMATION EXCHANGE, NO OBSERVERS MIGHT BE NEEDED. WITH OTHER TYPES OF EXPERIMENTS FOR DIFFERENT PURPOSES AND UNDER DIFFERENT CIRCUMSTANCES OBSERVERS MIGHT BE NEEDED. THEN THERE IS THE QUESTION OF EXPLOSIONS ABOVE THE THRESHOLD THAT HAS TO BE CONSIDERED.

WE WILL HAVE TO CONSIDER THE WHOLE RANGE OF POSSIBILITIES AND IT WILL BE USEFUL, IT POSSIBLE, IF YOU COULD GIVE US THE GROSS PARAMETERS OF YOUR PROJECTS, THE CATEGORIES, THE APPROXIMATE YIELDS, AND THE NUMBERS OF EXPLOSIONS. ALSO IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF YOU COULD TELL US HOW YOU COULD SATISFY US THAT THESE ARE PNES AND NOT WEAPON-RELATED SHOTS.

EVEN THOUGH WE HAVE NO PSPECIFIC FUTURE PLANS, DR. FLEMING WAS ABLE TO TELL YOU IN SOME DETAIL WHAT WOULD BE INVOLVED IF WE DID PROCEED, NAMELY, THE PURPOSE, THE NUMBER OF SHOTS, YIELD, AND LOCALITY THAT WE WOULD USE. THIS IS THE SORT OF THING WE HAVE IN MIND WHEN WE ASK YOU ABOT YOUR PROGRAMS BECAUSE, AFTER ALL, YOUR PROGRAM IS THE DOMINANT ONE AND NOT OURS. IF YOU GIVE USTHE SPECIFICS THEN, ON THAT BASIS, WE CAN JUDGE WHAT THE OBSERVER REQUIREMENTS MIGHT BE. OUR INTEREST IS SLANTED TOWARDS THE PROBLEM OF VERIFYING THAT PNES ARE NOT USED FOR WEAPONS PURPOSES. IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE US SIDETO KNOW THAT PNES WILL NOT BE WEAPON-RELATED AND THAT THIS CAN BE VERIFIED.

MOROKHOV: THANK YOU, MR. AMBASSADOR, FOR YOURSTATEMENT. WE ARE SORRY THAT AFTER TWO WEEKS OF NEGOTIATIONS WE HAVE HEARD SO LITTLE. I, PERSONALLY, AND MY COLLEAGUES FEEL THAT THE US POSITION IS, AS YET, NOT CLEAR. WE TRIED TO DISCUSS OUR PROGRAM, WE GAVE OUR APPROACH TO SECRET

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VERIFICATION, WE GAVE YOU A CONVINCING AND SUBSTANTIVE PRESENTATION OF THE TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF THE PURPOSE AND AMOUNT OF THE INFORMATION SUBJECT TO EXCHANGE BETWEEN THE USSR AND THE US.

I THINK THAT YOU IN THE US HAVE A VERY NARROW VIEW OF PNES; YOU ONLY LOOK AT THE SITUATION TODAY AND TOMORROW AND PERHAPS A FEW YEARS HENCE. I AM CONVINCED

THAT YOU WILL CONDUCT PNES IN THE US AND IN THIRD COUNTRIES WITH US AND USSR ASSITANCE. AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, YOU CANNOT STOP TECHNICAL PROGRESS, AND HISTORY SHOWS THAT SOMETIMES PEOPLE ARE SLOW IN ACCEPTING PROGRESS. MANY CITIZENS KNOW ABOUT RADIATION, BUT FEW COMPREHEND THE DANGERS OF CONVENTIONAL SOURCES OF ENERGY. PROGRESS OF PNES WILL DEPEND ON PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE IN THE US OF THE ISSUES INVOLVED.

I CANNOT AGREE THAT THE US HAS LITTLE PNE KNOWLEDGE AND LITTLE EXPERIENCE WITH PNES. YOUR COLLEAGUES WOULD NOT AGREE WITH THAT VIEW. YOU HAVE MUCH ACCUMULATED EXPERIENCE IN CONNECTION WITH YOUR PLOWSHARE PROGRAM AND ON THIS BASIS COULD JUDGE ALL ASPECTS OF OUR NEGOTIA-TIONS. WE HAVE EXPERIENCE IN AN INDUSTRIAL PNE PROGRAM FOR UNDERGROUND SHOTS FOR STORAGE CAVITIES; IN OTHERS WE ARE ONLY EXPERIMENTING; AND WE ARE ONLY REACHING THE US LEVEL OF THE PLOWSHARE EXPERIMENTS RIGHT NOW. IT IS NOT RIGHT TO SAY THAT THE SOVIET UNION IS FAR ADVANCED AND THAT THE US HAS LITTLE EXPERIENCE WITH PNE. I CAN-NOT AGREE WITH THAT; AND IF YOU LET YOUR EXPERTS SPEAK "NOT ON INSTRUCTION" BUT SINCERELY THEY WILLAGREE WITH ME. AS FOR YOUR DESIRE TO HEAR MORE AOBUT THE SOVIET PNE PROGRAM, ABOUT YIELD AND TRENDS, I HAVE TO TELL YOU THAT THE SOVIET APPROVED PROGRAM ENDS IN 1975. AS FOR OUR 5-YEAR PLAN STARTING IN 1975, THERE IS NOTHING CONCRETE THAT I CAN TELL YOU. I DON'T HAVE ANY MORE DETAILS.

WE ARE READY, IN THESE NEOGTIATIONS, TO SHARE OUR EXPERIENCE IN PNES AND WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROMTHE US SOMETHING OF THE KIND OF PRESENTIATION GIVEN BY MYASNIKOV.

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AT LEAST TELL US ABOUT RIO BLANCE BECAUSE WE HHAVE NO INFORMATION ON THAT EXPERIMENT. WE WILL BE READY TO PRESENT MORE TECHNICAL PAPERS NEXT WEEK. OUR EXPERTS ARE NOT HERE JUST TO TALK ABOUT THEIR OWN WORK, EVEN THOUGH THEY WOLULD FIND THIS PLEASANT; THEY WOULD LIKE TO HERE ABOUT US EXPERIENCE. WE HAVE UNLIMITED POSSIBILITIES FOR TECHNICAL TALKS BUT WE NEED RECIPROCITY. YESTERDAY DR. MYSANIKOV GAVE A VERY IMPORTANT PRESENTATION ON VERIFICATION, AND I ASKED YOU, MR. AMBASSADOR, THAT YOU HAVE US EXPERTS STUDY IT VERY CAREFULLY. BUEACUSE, IF YOU KNOW OF THE PURPOSE AND THE ANNOUNCED YIELD OF THE NUCLEAR DEVICE, THEN YOU CANNOT MAKE ANY ERRORS IN THE YIELD ESTIMATE BY NATIONAL MEANS. THE RANGE OF MINUS 15 PERCENT TO 25 PERCENT IS MORE THAN ENOUGH FOR AN

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ACCURATE ESTIMATE FOR VERIFICATION.AS WE MENTIONED BEFORE, IF YOU GO OUTSIDE THESE LIMITS, THERE ARE VARIOUS DANGERS SUCH AS SEISMICITY AND RADIATION, AND LOW ECONOMIC EFFICIENCY, OF COURSE, WE ARE READY TO HAVE A BROAD EXCHANGE OF INFORATION ON PNES, BUT WE HAVE TO HAVE A FRAMEWORK OF MUTUAL OBLIGATONS FOR THAT. INFORMATION IS A VALUABLE RESOURCE, REPRESENTING AN INVESTMENT OF LABOR AND MATERIAL, AND EACH SIDE HAS TO PROVIDE SOMETHING OF EQUAL VALUE IN RETURN. I HAVE TO STATE THAT THIS DOES NO APPLY IN THE CASE OF ARTICLE III OF TTBT, BUT WE STILL HAVE TO WORK OUT CONCRETE PREPARATIONS FOR AN AGREEMENT ON THIS ARTICLE. AFTER TWO WEEKS I AM STILL AT A LOSS WHAT TO REPORT TO THE HIGH-UP LEVELS OF MY GOVERNMENT. I ONLY KNOW MY OWN POSITION: I CANNOT REPORT ON THIS US POSITION. I CANNOT EVEN FORMULATE IT AND THIS PUTS ME IN AN AWKARD POSITION. I HAVE TO FORMULATE YOUR POSITION ON OBSERVERS OR REPRESENTATIVES, WHICHEVER TERM WE ARE GOIN TO USE. IN OUR TECHNICAL REPORTS WE PROCEED FROM THE PREMISE THAT OBSERVERS ARE NOT NEEDED UNDER ARTICLE III; AND THAT ALL QUESTIONS OF COMPLIANCE COULD BE RESOVLED WITHOUT OBSERVERS. NO NOE WOULD SERIOULSY BELIEVE THAT WEAPON TESTING CAN BE MASKED UNDER PNE PROGRAMS. I KNOW THIS; I CANNOT VIEW THIS ARGUMENT SERIOUSLY; PERHAPS ONLY SOME PHILISTINES COULD SPEAK THAT WAY, PERHAPS WE WILL HAVE SECRET

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SOME REFERENCE TO IT IN SOME DOCUMENTS TO SATISFY SOME PEOPLE WHO ARE CONCERNED.

WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT THESE OBSERVERS WILL DO. I KNOW THAT DR. KISSINGER RAISED THIS QUESTION IN TALKS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER GROMYKO (TIMERBAEV INERVENED: KISSINGER RAISED THE QUESTION OF THE STATUS OF OBERVERS WITH GROMYKO).

THE OBSERVER ISSUE WAS RAISED BY THE US BUT WE NEVER DID DEVELOP THIS CONCEPT. IT WOULD HELP US TO MOVE FORWARD IF WE ONLY KNOW WHAT THEY WOULD DO. IT IS YOUR IDEA TO HAVE OBSERVERS, ESPECIALLY WHEN THE EXPLOSION WILL BE ABOVE THE THRESHOLD (MOROKHOV CORRECTED HIMSELF: EXPLOSIONS ABOVE SOME LEVELS).

I DO NOT KNOW WHAT I CAN REPORT TO MY HIGHER LEVELS, BECAUSE YOU HAVE NOT CLARIFIED YOUR POSITION. AS FOR ARTICLE III, IF YOU HAVE SUCH INFORMATION AS GIVEN BY MYASNIKOV, YOU DO NOT NEED AN ABSERVER. NAMELY, IF YOU KNOW THE PURPOSE, THE PLACE, THE YIELD, THE KIND AS WELL AS THE ACTUAL YIELD AND RESULTS AFTER THE BLAST THAN YOU KNOW SUFFICIENLY WELL WHETHER THIS WAS A PNE OR A WEAPONS TEST. THAT IS ALL I HAVE TO SAY ABOUT THAT. I MUST ADD THAT WE ARE IN AN UNBALANCED SITUATION; WE ARE THE HOSTS; YOU ARE OUR GUESTS. WE TRY TO MAKE YOUR STAY USEFUL AND PLEASANT. WE SHOW YOU FILMS. IS THIS USEFUL? WE TRY TO MAKE YOUR STAY A PLEASANT ONE, AND THAT TASK IS EASIER. IT IS DIFFICULT TO SEE WHAT WE ARE DOING HERE.

STOESSEL: THANK YOU, MR. MINISTER FOR A VERY CLEAR STATEMENT OF YOUR VIEWS. THESE WERE VERY HELPFUL AND I WILL REPORT BACK HOME ON YOUR POSITION AND YOUR CONCERNS. I NOW WOULD LIKE TO RECIPROCATE AND MAKE SOME COMMENTS.

IN THE BEGINNING, I NOTED THAT YOU DISCUSSED YOUR PNE PROGRAM AND YOUR APPROACH TO VERIFICATION. WE APPRECIATE IT BUT WE FEEL THAT THIS WAS NOT SPECIFIC ENOUGH FOR OUR SIDE. WE WOULD LIKE TO GET MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON YOUR PROGRAM AND WAYS FOR PNE VERIFICATION. WE FOUND DR. MYASNIKOV'S STATEMENT VERY USEFUL AND VERY SPECIFIC; BUT, AS I SAID BEFORE, THIS IS ONLY ONE KIND OF EXPERIMENT UNDER GIVEN SECRET

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CICRUMSTANCES AND FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES. WE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR ABOUT A WIDER RANGE OF YOUR PROGRAM SO THAT

WE CAN THEN DECIDE ON CONDITIONS AND SOME POINT IN AN OVERALL AGREEMENT.
AS FOR OUR OWN PROGRAM, WE HAVE HAD SOME PNE EXPERIENCES

IN THE PST; BUT, AS FOR THE FUTURE, WE HAVE NO SPECIFIC

PLANS AND RIGHT NOW WE ENVISION NO PNES FOR COMMERCIAL

PURPOSES, (TIMERBAEV SIGHING HEAVILY). OBVIOUSLY

THE SOVIET UNION HAS AN ACTIVE AND ONGOING PROGRAM

AND NOT THE US. YOU ASKED ME ABOUT THE RIO BLANCO

EXPERIMENT AND YOU ALSO MENTIONED RECIPROCITY. I

WILL ASK MY AUTHORITIES WHAT CAN BE DONE ABOUT A

PRESENTATION. AS FOR THE USEFULNESS OF OUR TALKS.

PERHAPS WE SHOULD HAVE SUCH TECHNICAL TALKS IN SMALLER

GROUPS AND NOT THE PLENARY.

MOROKHOV: THE WAY THINGS ARE AT LEAST WE HAVE SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT DURING PLENARY SESSIONS. IF WE BREAK UP INTO SMALL GROUPS, WHAT WILL WE DO AT THE PLENARIES? WE'LL BE IN A DIFFICULT POSITON.

STOESSEL: YOU MENTIONED YOUR DIFFICULTE IS ABOUT RE-

PORTING TO YOUR AUTHORITIES. I WOULD NOW LIKE TO REVIEW OUR POSITION. AS WE STATED BEFORE, WE FEEL

THAT THE PRESENT NEGOTIATIONS FLOW FROM ARTICLE III

OF THE TTBT AND OUR EFFORTS ARE DIRECTED TO THAT END.

WE STRESS THE NEED FOR VERIFYING THAT PNES ARE FOR

PEACEFUL PURPOSES ONLY AND ARE NOT WEAPON-RELATED. I STRESS THAT WE ARE SERIOUSLY CONCERNED AND THAT WE

HAVE TO SATISFY THESE CONCERNS IF THE TTBT IS GOING

TO BE RATIFIED. ALSO, AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, ANY

AGREEMENT ON PNES HAS TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE LTBT.

AS YOU MENTIONED, THE QUESTION OF OBSERVERS WAS RAIDED

BY MINISTER GROMYKO AND DR. KISSINGER. I RECALL THAT

IN JUNE YOU MADE SOME SPECIFIC PROPOSALS ON OBSERVERS. SINCE YOUR SIDE HAS AN ACTIVE PNE PROGRAM IT WOULD BE

USEFUL TO GET YOUR VIEWS IN A MORE SPECIFIC FORM ON

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OBSERVERS. THIS WOULD GIVE US A BETTER IDEA OF THEIR ROLE SO THAT WE CAN SATISFY OUR CONCERNS. MR. MINISTER, YOU SPOKE OF TWO TYPES OF A POSSIBLE AGREEMENT, ONE AS YOU SUGGESTED WOULD BE A GROADER AGREEMENT INCLUDING COOPERATION ON PNES, IN CONTRAST WITH A NARROWER ONE DEALING ONLY WITH ARTICLE III. AT THIS TIME WE HAVE NO VIEWS WHETHER IT SHOULD BE A BROAD OR A NARROW AGREEMENT IN THESE TERMS. WITH REGARD TO ARTICLE V OF NPT, WHILE WE RECOGNIZE ITS IMPORTANCE, WE ALSO HAVE NO VIEWS ON THE SUBSTANCE AT THIS TIME. HOWEVER, WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN YOUR VIEWS ON HOW THIS SUBJECT SHOULD BE HANDLED IN THE NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE NEXT YEAR. SO THIS IS OUR PRESENT POSITION AS I SEE IT. PERHAPS WE WILL BE ABLE TO BE MORE SPECIFIC ON SOME SUBSTANTIVE POINTS LATER ON; BUT THIS IS OUR PRESENT POSITION. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU NOW FOR YOUR FINE HOSPITALITY AND ALL THE ARRANGEMENTS AND I ASSURE YOU THAT WE ALSO WANT TO GET SOME SUBSTATIVE WORK DONE QUICKLY. MOROKHOV: THANK YOU, MR. AMBASSADOR. I WOULD ONLY LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS ON REPRESENTATIVES OR OBSERVERS. AS I REMEMBER IT, THIS PROPOSITION AROSE QUITE UNEX-PECTEDLY AT THIS VERY TABLE IN CONNECTION WITH ARTICLE III AND WAS PUT DOWN ON PAPER. (TIMERBAEV INTERJECTED: WRITTEN DOWN BUT NOW IN ANY AGREEMENT). THEN, AS NOW, I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT IT MEANS. OUR EXPERTS HAVE CLEARLY SECRET

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DEMONSTRATED THAT THERE IS NO NEED FOR OBSERVERS FOR THE PURPOSES OF ARTICLE III. YOU WILL NEED SOME REAL GOOD HARD PROOF TO CONVINCE US THAT THEY ARE NEEDED. I BELIEVE THAT IT WAS DR. KISSINGER WHO RAISED THE QUESTION ON THE STATUS OF OBSERVERS IN CONNECTION WITH MR. GROMYKO; THEREFORE, WE WANT US VIEWS ON FUCTIONS OF OBSERVERS. STOESSEL: WHEN WAS THAT? TIMERBAEV: WHEN THEY MET ON ALEXEI TOLSTOI STREET. MOROKHOV: NOW LET US LOOK AT ARTICLE V. AS I SEE IT, WE CAN TAKE THE BROADER OR THE NARROWER VIEW. BY BROADER, I MEAN HOW THE SOVIET UNION AND YOUR COUNTRY COULD COOPERATE UNDER ARTICLE V ON A BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL BASIS. WE ARE READY TO TALK ABOUT IT VERY SOON. BY NARROW, I MEAN THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF SAFETY STANDARDS. WE ARE READY TO DISCUSS THAT, BUT I UNDER-

STAND THAT THE US SIDE IS NOT READY FOR IT. I UNDER-STOOD DR. BUCHHEIM TO SAY YESTERDAY THAT THE US DELEGATION IS NOT PREPARED TO DISCUSS THIS ISSUE BUT I ASSURE YOU THAT WE ARE READY. (MOROKNOV THEN ASKED BRATCHIKOV TO READ A TASS REPORT FROM VIENNA THAT THE IAEA WAS SENDING INVITATIONS TO LISTED COUNTRIES TO PARTICIPATE IN A MEETING IN JANUARY 1975 ON PNE EXCAVATION AND FORMING OF UNDERGROUND CAVITIES.) OUR EXPERTS ARE TO PREPARE THEMSELVES FOR THAT CONFERENCE AND THAT IS THE PURPOSE OF OUR MEETING OF EXPERTS. WE NEED TO AGREE ON OUR COMMON POSITION. BUT I SEE THAT THE US SIDE IS NOT READY YET SO WE WILL PATIENTLY WAIT. NOW LET US LOOK AT OUR WORK SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK. STOESSEL: I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A FEW REMARKS ABOUT OBSERVERS. AS YOU KNOW WE FEEL THAT THE PRINCIPLE OF OBSERVERS HAS BEEN ACCEPTED IN CONNECTION WITH ARTICLE III; AND DR. DISSINGER HAS MADE SOME PUBLIC STATEMENTS TO THAT EFFECT. I AM CONCERNED THAT SOVIET EXPERTS NOW SAY THAT THERE IS NO NEED FOR OBSERVERS, ON THE BASIS OF THEIR RESEARCH. I WANT TO STRESS THE IMPORTANCE - THE PRINCIPLE - OF THE OBSERVER QUESTION. NOT TO ACCEPT OBSERVERS WOULD UNDERMINE OUR ABILITY TO REACH A SATISFACTORY PNE AGREEMNT AS STATED IN ARTICLE BOTH SIDES AGREED TO HAVE A PLENARY SESSION MONDAY

AFTERNOON, OCT 21. ALSO TO MEET TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY). SECRET

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MOROKHOV: (INTERJECTION BY MOROKHOV DURING TRANSLATION OF STOESSEL'S REMARKS INTO RUSSIAN). I WOULD PUT IT SO: IF THIS PRINCIPLE HAD BEEN ACCEPTED IT WOULD HAVE BEEN WRITTEN DOWN, AND OUR TASK WOULD BE EASIRE.) MOROKHOV: ABOUT OBSERVERS, AS I SAID BEFORE, WHAT WILL BE THEIR FUNCTION? IF OBSERVERS ARE SO IMPORTNAT TO YOU, SHOW ME, FIRST OF ALL, THE NEED FOR OBSERVERS AND GIVE US A GOOD CONVINCING REASON FOR IT. THIS WILL INDICATE TO US THEIR FUNCTIONS; AND, SECONDLY, AS I HAVE STRESSED BEFORE, IT WILL BE MUCH EASIER TO COME TO AN UNDERSTANDING ON IT WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF A BROADER AGREEMENT.

STOESSEL: WHEN WE MEET ON MONDAY PERHAPS WE COULD HAVE A GENERAL REIEW OF OUR DISCUSSION TO SEE WHERE WE STAND.

MOROKHOV: NO OBJECT, BUT WE HAVE ALREADY DONE IT AND NOT GOTTEN VERY FAR. PERHAPS WE WILL TALK ABOUT TECHNOLOGY. EACH SIDE COULD PRESENT A PAPER. WE WILL SHOW YOU A FILM ON CRUSHING OF HARD ROCK ORE DEPOSITS AND THEN PERHAPS MR. RADINOV WILL PRESENT A PAPER ON THE RESIDUAL STRESS IN HARD ROCKS AFTER AN EXPLOSION. STOESSEL: DR. ROMNEY CAN ALSO MAKE A SECOND STATEMENT.

I WILL ALSO SEE WHAT WE CAN TELL YOU ABOUT RIO BLANCO. MOROKHOV: TELL US ABOUT ANY OF YOUR EXPERIMENTS, BUT IN MORE DETAIL THAN BEFORE. SO FAR WE HAD SOME SORT OF A FREE-FOR-ALL IN OUR COOPERATION, PERHAPS WE OUGHT TO PUT IT INTO SOME SORT OF A FRAMEWORK. (AMB. STOESSEL MENTIONED BEFORE ADJOURNING THAT DR. BUCHHEIM COULD CHAIR THE MEETINS IF NECESSARY DURING THE SECOND HALF OF NEXT WEEK, WHEN DR. KISSINGER WILL BE IN MOSCOW.)

IN A SUBSEQUENT PRIVATE MEETING BETWEEN MOROKHOV AND STOESSEL, MOROKHOV STRESSED THE DIFFICULTY OF HANDLING OBSERVERS IN A "NARROW" AGREEMENT, BECUASE OF THE FACT THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS AN ACTIVE PNE PROGRAM AND THE US DOES NOT. THIS WOULD MEAN THAT ALL ABSERVER ACTIVITY WOULD BE ON SOVIET SOIL, WHICH WOULD BE UNACCEPTALBE. ON THE OTHER HAND, IF WE CONCLUDED A BROAD COOPERATION AGREEMENT, THIS PROBLEM WOULD BE RESOLVED, SINCE WE WOULD BE DOING JOINT WORK TOGETHER, AND THERE WOULD BE LESS DIFFICULTY SECRET

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AOBUT OBSERVERS, EVEN IF THE BULK OF EXPLOSIONS WERE IN THE USSR. MORKHOV INDICATED THAT HE HAD A DRAFT "BROAD" AGREEMENT READY WHICH HE HAD WORKED OUT ON A "PERSONAL" BASIS. STOESSEL

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